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§20–1016.

(a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, in addition to any other relief authorized, if the Commission finds that a respondent has engaged in a discriminatory act under Subtitle 3 or Subtitle 4 of this title, the Commission may seek an order assessing a civil penalty against the respondent:

(1) if the respondent has not been adjudicated to have committed any prior discriminatory act, in an amount not exceeding \$500;

(2) if the respondent has been adjudicated to have committed one other discriminatory act during the 5–year period ending on the date of the filing of the current charge, in an amount not exceeding \$1,000; and

(3) if the respondent has been adjudicated to have committed two or more discriminatory acts during the 7–year period ending on the date of the filing of the current charge, in an amount not exceeding \$2,500.

(b) If the discriminatory act is committed by an individual who has been previously adjudicated to have committed one or more discriminatory acts, the time periods set forth in subsection (a)(2) and (3) of this section do not apply.

(c) Any civil penalties collected under this section shall be paid to the General Fund of the State.

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